GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

PUBLIC SERVICES – Fisheries Department – Misappropriation of subsidy amount released for the purchase of boat engines – Sri V.V.S.P.R.V. Prasad, the then Dy. Director of Fisheries (Retired), East Godavari District - Departmental proceedings under rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CCA) Rules, 1991 – Further action dropped – Orders - Issued.

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ANIMAL HUSBANDRY DAIRY DEVELOPMENT & FISHERIES (Dy.&Vig.) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 230 **Dated: 26-09-2019**

Read the following:-

1. From the G.A.(V&E) Dept., Vigilance Report No.127, Dt. 04.12.2013.
2. Govt. Memo. No.6953/VS.2/2013, dated: 20.02.2014.
3. From the Commissioner of Fisheries, A.P., Lr.No.8892/A2/2012, Dt.01.04.2015.
4. G.O.Rt.No.136, AHDD& F (Dy. &.Vig.) Dept., Dt.26.05.2015.
5. From the Commissioner of Fisheries, A.P., Lr.No.8892/A2/2012, Dt.22.09.2015 along with defense statements of COs.
6. Govt. Memo. No.6953/Dy. & Vig.(2)/2013, Dt. 08.10.2015.
7. From the COF., A.P., Vijawayada, Lr.No.8892/A2/2012, Dt. 24.11.2016.
8. Govt.Memo.No.6953/Dy&Vig(2)/2013, Dt.06.01.2017.
9. From the Commissioner of Fisheries, A.P., Lr.No.8892/A2/2012, Dt.20.01.2017.
10. G.O. Rt.No.137 and 138, AHDD&F(Dy. & Vig.) Dept., Dt.11.05.2017.
11. From the Commissioner of Fisheries, A.P., Lr.No.8892/A2/2012, Dt.08.02.2018.
12. Govt.Showcause.Memo.No.6953/Dy&Vig(2)/2011-3, Dated: 18.09.2018
13. Govt.Memo.No.6953/Dy.&Vig/2013-4, Dt.18.9.2018.
14. From the Commissioner of Fisheries, A.P., Lr.No.8892/A2/2012, Dt.16.05.2019.
15. Govt.Memo.No.6953/Dy.&Vig/2013, Dt. 06.06.2019.
16. From the Commissioner of Fisheries, A.P., Lr.No.8892/A2/2012, Dt.23.07.2019

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Whereas, it was brought to the notice of the Government that misappropriation of subsidy amount released for the purchase of Boat Engines by the Fisheries Department Officials, in East Godavari district;

2. And whereas, in the reference 4th cited, the following charges have been framed against Sri V.V.S.P.R.V. Prasad, the then Dy. Director of Fisheries (Retired), East Godavari District along with other officials for the irregularities committed under Rule 20 of the A.P. Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991. The Charged officers have submitted their explanations to the charges framed against them:-

Charge-1: "That V.V.S.P.R.V. Prasad, while working as Dy. Director of Fisheries, Kakinada, now retired from service has selected beneficiaries from only one remote Village instead of all the coastal Villages of the District, to implement the scheme and thereby violated the guidelines in order to misappropriate the Govt.funds".

Charge-2: "That V.V.S.P.R.V. Prasad, while working as Dy. Director of Fisheries, Kakinada, now retired from service got approval of the list of 42 beneficiaries from the Dist. Collector, east Godavari Dist, which was submitted by the then FDO, Sri. K. Venkateswra Rao, without conducting Grama Sabha, which resulted only 5 beneficiaries are grounded for IBM Units".

Charge-3: "That V.V.S.P.R.V. Prasad, while working as Dy. Director of Fisheries, Kakinada, now retired from service got the Unit coast of Rs.44,000/- approved by the Dist Collector, East Godavari Dist., based on the rate quoted by single dealer M/s Om Sai Ram Marine Enterprises, Kakinada, without going for other quotations and verifying the market rates which is lower".

3. And whereas, in the reference 10th cited, Sri P. Koteswara Rao, Joint Director of Fisheries, Machilipatnam, Krishna district and Sri V. Venkateswara Rao, Asst. Director of Fisheries, Visakhapatnam have been appointed as Inquiring Authority and Presenting Officer respectively, to conduct enquiry into the charges framed against Sri V.V.S.P.R.V. Prasad, the then Dy. Director of Fisheries (Retired), East Godavari District along with other officials of Fisheries Department under rule 24 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules 1991;

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4. And whereas, in the reference 11th cited, the Commissioner of Fisheries, A.P., has forwarded the findings of the Inquiry Officer, wherein the Inquiring Authority, inter-alia it is found that Sri. V.V.S.P.R.V. Prasad, the then Dy. Director of Fisheries (Retired), East Godavari District has no role in grounding the scheme of Motorization' of Traditional Craft under RKVY sanctioned during 2011-12, as the scheme was grounded by his successor under RKVY, which has resulted in to misappropriation of Govt. sanctioned funds;

5. And whereas, in the reference 12th read above, while enclosing the findings of the Enquiry, show-cause notice has been issued to Sri V.V.S.P.R.V. Prasad, the then Dy. Director of Fisheries (Retired), East Godavari District to explain / Show-cause as to why suitable penalty should not be imposed against him under rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CCA) 1991, r/w rule 9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980. The written statement of defense from the individual was received through the Commissioner of Fisheries, Andhra Pradesh, vide reference 14th read above.

6. After careful examination of the matter in detail with material available on record, Government have decided to drop further action against Sri V.V.S.P.R.V. Prasad, the then Dy. Director of Fisheries (Retired), East Godavari District. Accordingly, Government hereby order to drop further action against Sri V. V.S.P.R.V. Prasad, the then Dy. Director of Fisheries (Retired), East Godavari District.

7. The Commissioner of Fisheries, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada shall take necessary further action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

Dr. POONAM MALAKONDAIAH
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri V. V.S.P.R.V. Prasad, the then Dy. Director of Fisheries (Retired), East Godavari District,
Through the Commissioner of Fisheries, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.
The Commissioner of Fisheries, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.
Copy to:
The Accountant General, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad/Vijayawada.
The Director of Treasuries and Accounts, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.
The Pay and Accounts, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.
The District Treasury Officer concerned.
The A.P. Vigilance Commission, A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi.
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SECTION OFFICER